कंपनी से रेल इंजन खरीदने का निषेध किया है; यदि हां, तो रेल मंत्रालय को इस आशय के आदेश कब जारी किये गये;

(ख) क्या उपर्युक्त समिति ने इस खरीद का निषेध करने के कोई कारण/आधार बताए हैं; यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है; और

(ग) क्या सरकार समिति द्वारा निषेध करने के बावजूद ए०बी०बी० से ही रेल इंजन खरीदेगी?

रेल मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री मल्लिकार्जुन): (क) जी नहीं,

(ख) प्रश्न नहीं उठता।

(ग) अंतिम निर्णय पर रेल मंत्रालय द्वारा विचार किया जा रहा है।

Women bus conductors in DTC

420. SHRI ASHIS SEN: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of women bus conductors recruited by the Delhi Transport Corporation during the last three years, year-wise;

(b) how many of the above are still on conductor duty; and

(c) what extra facilities they are enjoying?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) The number of women bus conductors recruited by DTC during the last three years is given as under:—

1989	—	21
1990	—	11
1991	—	—
	TOTAL:	32

(b) All of them are still on conductor duty except twe who have resigned from the service *ol* D.T.C.

(c) They are not enjoying any extra facilities and they are performing their duty in the normal hours.

Women bus conductors in DTC

421. SHRI RAMACHANDRAN PILLAI: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of women conductors on Delhi Transport Corporation buses in 1975 and in 1991 respectively;

(b) whether there is any decline in their number; and

(c) if so, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER):

(a) 1975 — Nil 1991 — 35

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise in view of (b) above.

Modernisation and Diversification of Ports in Eastern Region

422. SHRI ASHIS SEN: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether any proposal is under Government's consideration for modernisation and diversification of ports in the Eastern region;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the funds allocated for the purpose during the Eighth Five Year Plan period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. A provision of Rs. 1873.33 crores has been made tentatively in 8th Plan 1992-97 and Rs. 298.04 crores in Annual Plan 1992-93 for development projects aiming at modernisation and diversification of major ports at Calcutta, Paradip, Vizag and Madras as per the details given below:—

(Rs. in crores)

Name of the Port	Outlay 8th Plan 1992-97 (Tentative)	Annual Plan 1992-93
1. (a) Calcutta	180.00	45.00
(b) Haldia	175.00	45.00
(c) River Related Schemes	76.00	40.00
Total-Culcutta:	431.00	130.58
2. Paradip	568.48	67.00
3. Vizag	234.46	65.57
4. Madras	639.39	34.89
TOTAL	1873.33	298.04

Proposals/Projects received from Kerala

423. SHRI M.A. BABY: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any proposals/projects from Kerala for different construction/developmental works;

(b) the proposals/projects which have been sanctioned and also those which are pending with Government;

(c) the amount allocated for each project/proposal; and

(d) the time schedule for completion of each proposal/project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) to (c)

Proposals/Project received in the Ministry of Surface Transport from Kerala Government

(Rs. in Lakhs)

Sl. No.	Proposal/ Project	Esti-mated Cost	Budget provision in 1992-93	Present position
1	2	3	4	5
1.	Road Works (National Highways)	9493	418	Estimates of some schemes are awaited from Kerala State PWD. An estimate of Rs. 17.34 crores for construction of Calicut bypass phase-I including Arapuzha and Neelithodu bridges is under process for concurrence of Ministry of Finance. An estimate for construction of Aukulam bridge and viaduct has been sanctioned for Rs. 4.90 crores. List of road works amounting to Rs. 220 lakhs finalised.
2.	Bridge works	2820	70	Under process for concurrence of Ministry of Finance.
3.	Schemes under Central Road Fund	12186	—	Since actual augmentation of Central Road Fund against which the proposals were invited has not yet taken place in accordance with Revised Resolution adopted by the Parliament on 13.5.88, these proposals could not be processed for approval. The matter relating to augmentation of Central Road Fund is under active consideration on top-level and it is likely to take some more time to arrive at a decision.
4.	Roads of Inter-State and economic importance	5333	—	The proposals received from various States including Kerala under the aforesaid scheme would be considered in consultation with the appraisal agencies keeping in view availability of funds and various other factors evolved for the purpose.